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# CRAUSTARK

The Story of a Love Behind a Throne.

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Synopsis of Preceding Chapters.

Grenfall Lorry, a young man of wealth and a and strikes Lorry insensible. Anguish appea traveler, boards the east-bound express at Denon the scene and after him Baron Danglos ver. He expects a tedious trip, but finds a myschief of police, with a squad of men. He h terious and beautiful young woman on the train suspected the Americans of evil designs a who interests him and is evidently a foreigner. had followed them to the castle. He has t He is unable to learn anything about her. The conspirators instantly taken out and shot, wit train is stopped through an accident to the enout thinking first to extort from them a co pine, and the mysterious young woman is left behind when it resumes its journey. Mr. Lorry Michael, who has escaped. Lorry, recoveri voluntarily stays also, though he pretends that slowly from his injury, is kept in the palac It was an accident. Mr. Lorry succeeds in getting the train held at the station four miles uncle and aunt. Lorry falls more deeply in k away and the two take a wild ride over the than ever, but realizes the hopelessness of mountains. Their relations become friendly and While he is still confined to his room the the girl tells him her name is Guggenslocker princess comes in alone on one occasion to that she is from Edelweiss, the capital of him, and her kindness causes him to forget hi Graustark, a country of which he has never prudence and confess his love for her. She ad heard. On the train again he makes the acmits a regard for him, but tells him that the quaintance of the girl's uncle and aunt, affection is hopeless, and that they must forget | for me! whose company she is traveling, and does his She has, however, arranged that he and best to establish himself in their good graces. Anguish shall be guests at the palace as long The Guggenslockers spend a day in Washington, which is Mr. Lorry's home, and he does the the affections of the Countess Dagmar, lady-inhonors, among other things taking the young waiting to the princess. Lorry learns that woman out to drive and showing himself obvi-Graustark is on the verge of ruin; that a war debt of \$30,000,000 will shortly fall due, and deously in love. The visitors leave for New York with the intention of sailing immediately for fault means the forfeiture of nearly all of Graustark save Edelweiss. The princess can Europe. After their departure Lorry is unable to settle down to business, becomes restless and avert disaster by giving her hand in marriage to moody, and before the end of summer sails for Prince Lorenz or Prince Gabriel, of adjoining urope with the purpose of visiting Edelweiss. ovinces. Each is coarse and dissipated. The In Paris he meets an old college friend, Harry rincess conducts Lorry through the castle Anguish, who is romantic and ready for adfinally reaching the throne room, where an ar-dent love scene ensues, and Lorry barely escape venture, and who arranges to accompany him on his search for Miss-Guggenslocker. After a shooting by one of her zealous attendants. This good deal of difficulty they find that Graustark episode results in the speedy departure of both Americans from the castle. Lorry and Anguish recognize Gabriel's voice as that of the conis a tiny principality in the mountainous region on Austria's remotest border. Edelweiss, a city 75,000, is its capital and metropolis. When spirator called Michael. To save Graustark the they reach there they find many soldiers in evirincess agrees to marry Prince Lorenz. At an dence, and they themselves attract much atten-Edelwelss cafe Lorry hears Prince Lorenz protion by their distinguished appearance and from posing a toast to the princess. Enraged, the the fact that they are Americans, but they find American strikes him to the floor with a blow no people in the place named Guggenslocker. Next day, in strolling about the streets, an elein the face. Prince Gabriel witnesses the scene, Lorry accepts Lorenz's challenge to a duel to be fought the next morning. The same night the prince is murdered in his bed. Lorry is charged with the crime, imprisoned in the tower, and gant carriage drawn by gayly caparisoned white horses attracts their attention, and one of the ladies seated therein proves to be Miss Guggenslocker. She shows much surprise at the sight of Anguish detained as a witness. The princess i Lorry, but later sends him a note setting an forced to sign a decree for Lorry's arrest and hour of the next day for him and his friend trial. She makes plans for his escape. A soldier accompanies him in the carcome for him. The same night Larry and Anriage which is driven over a rocky road. He is guish overhear a plot to rob the palace and seized with a desire to know who his comaddressed as Michael. Lorry and Anguish, being panion is. He strikes a match and the face o the princess is disclosed. She confesses her love armed, resolve to frustrate the plot and save the They are driven to a monastery, he to be left in charge of the abbott until princess. They gain entrance to the palace. One of the conspirators is Dannox, a palace guard. Lorry and Anguish become separated. Lorry, land. They part only to hope to meet again. hearing footsteps, conceals himself and passes The American's escape causes consternation in through a door, finding himself in a sleeping Edelweiss. The princess offers a reward for his capture. Anguish is held as a hostage. Prince capture. Anguish is held as a hostage. Prince the princess. He implores her to be quiet, tells Bolaroz, father of the murdered Prince Lorenz, her that there is a plot against her and that he will save her; that he is Grenfall Lorry. Seeing his face she trusts and obeys. The princess is Miss Guggenslocker. Dannox, the his presence within a month.

### CHAPTER XXI. From a Window Above.

The longest month in Lorry's life was that which followed his romantic flight from the Tower. To his impatient mind the days were irksome weeks. The cold monastery was worse than a prison. He looked from his windows as a convict looks through his bars, always hoping, always disappointed. With each of the infrequent visits of Captain Quinnox, his heart leaped at the prospect of liberty, only to sink deeper in despair upon the receipt of emphatic, though kindly, assurances that the time had not yet come for him to leave the haven of safety into which he had been thrust by loving hands. From his little window he could see the active city below, with the adored castle; to his nostrils came the breath of summer from the coveted valley, filling him with almost unsupportable longing and desire. Cold were the to Gabriel, for in submitting she could save winds that swept about his lofty home; ghastly, grewsome the nights; pallid and desolate the days. Out of the world was he, dreary and heartsick, while at his feet stretched life, and joy, and love in their rarest habiliments. How he endured the suspense, the torture of uncertainty, the craving for the life that others were enjoying, he could not understand. Big, strong and full of vigor, his inactivity was maddening; this virtual captivity grew more and more intolerable with each succeeding day. Would they never take him from the tomb in which he was existing? A hundred times had he, in his desperation, concluded to flee from the monastery, come what might, and to trust himself to the joyous world below, but the ever-present though wandering spark of wisdom won out against the flerce, aggressive folly that mutinled with his hungry soul. He knew that she was guarding him with loving, tender care, and that, when the proper time came, the shackles of danger would

drop and his way would be cleared. Still there was the longing, the craving, the loneliness. Day after day, night after | come to pass. She is willing to sacrifice hernight went by and the end seemed no nearer. Awake or asleep, he dreamed of her. his heart and mind always full of that one rich blessing-her love. At times he was mad with the desire to know what she was doing, what she was thinking and what was being done for her down there in that busy world. Lying on his pallet, sitting in the narrow window, pacing the halls or wandering about the cold courtyards, he thought always of her, hoping and despairing with equal fervor. The one great question that made his imprisonment, his in- safe time comes, you will be taken from his ewn? In those tantalizing moments of despair he felt that if he were free and was working against his chances in the The mountains are full of soldiers every world from which he was barred.

The prior was kind to him; everything his appetite deserted him; he had no ques- laroz, 'Here is your man; I've gained the the last ten generations has been the capno foe knew where he lived. From the city to you now, I'm going whether you concame the promise of ultimate escape; ver- sent or refuse. I'd just as soon be in jail bal messages from those who loved him; down there as up here, anyhow. The only news of the world-all at long intervals, favor I have to ask of you is that you do however. Quinnox's visits were like sun- the best you can to get me safely to her. I beams to him. The dashing captain came | must talk with her before I go back to the only at night and in disguise. He bore ver- Tower. bal messages, a wise precaution against mishap. Not once did he bring a word of her," groaned Quinnox, trying to control ing in the world for whom I would sacrifice love from the princess, an omission which his nervous apprehension. "I have sworn caused the fugitive deep misery until a ray to her that I will keep you from all harm, of intelligence showed him that she could and it would be to break faith with her if not give to Quinnox the speeches from her I led you into that mob down there." heart, proud woman that she was.

Anguish sent words of cheer, with commands to be patient. He never failed to tell him, through Quinnox, that he was doing all in his power to find the real murderer and that he had the secret co-operation of the old police captain. Of course, the hidden man heard of the reward and the frenzied search prosecuted by both principalities. He laughed hysterically over the deception that was being practiced by the key to the situation in her keeping.

It was not until the night of the 18th of November that Quinnox confirmed his the young officer had deceived Lorry in re- considerate. gard to the all-important matter. The

comes in great wrath with a body of soldiers. He agrees that Graustark's war debt shall be extended if Lorry be caught and executed in was, and asked his forgiveness for having kept the ugly truth from him. Quinnox added to his anguish by hastily informing him that there was a possibility of succor from another principality. Prince Gabriel, he said, not knowing that he was cutting his listener to the heart, was daily with the princess, and it was believed that he was ready to loan Graustark sufficient money to meet the demand of Bolaroz. The mere thought that Gabriel was with her aroused the fiercest resentment in Lorry's

that she was compelled to endure his ad-

As he paced his narrow room distractedly a horrid thought struck him so violently that he cried aloud and staggered against the wall, his eyes fixed on the face of the startled soldier. Perhaps she might submit not only Graustark, but the man she loved, The sacrifice-but no! he would not believe that such affliction could come to her! Marry Gabriel! The man who had planned to seize her and make her his wanton! He ground his teeth and glared at Quinnox as if he were the object of his hatred, his vicious jealousy. The captain stepped backward in sudden alarm.

"Don't be afraid!" Lorry cried, savagely. "I'm not crazy. It's your news-your news! Does she expect me to stay up here while that state of affairs exists down there? Let me see: This is the 18th, and day after to-morrow is the 20th. There is no time to be lost, Captain Quinnox. I shall accompany you when you leave St. Valentine's

"Impossible!" exclaimed Quinnox, "I cannot allow that, sir. My instructions are

"Hang your instructions! All the instructions on earth can't compel me to sit up whole affair. It is what I feared would self or half her kingdom, one or the other. in order that I may escape. It's not right, them. captain, it's not right, and I'm going to stop it. How soon can we leave this place?" He was pacing the floor, happy in the decision he had reached, notwithstanding the danger it promised.

"You are mad, sir, to talk like this," protested the other, despairingly. "Edelweiss swarms with Axphain soldiers; our own ward. You cannot go to the city. When a near her he could win the fight against all clear. I tell you, sir, you cannot hope to odds. As it was, he knew not what mischief escape if you leave the monastery now. night.

"I didn't say anything about an escape, that could be done to provide comfort | did I? On the contrary, I want to give mywhere comfort was a stranger was em- self up to her. Then she can have Gabriel ployed in his behalf. He lived well-until | thrown over the castle wall and say to Betions to answer, for no one asked why he | ten years of grace.' That's the point, Quinwas there; he had no danger to fear, for | nox; can't you see it? And I want to say

"God help me, sir, I cannot take you to

"I respect your oath, my friend, but I am going, just the same. I'll see her, too, if I have to shoot every man who attempts to prevent me. I'm desperate, man, desperate She's everything in the world to me, and I'll die before I'll see her suffer."

Quinnox calmly placed his hands on the other's shoulders, and, looking him in the

"Her suffering now is as nothing compared to what it will be if you go back to biue-eyed, slender woman who held the the Tower. You forget how much pain she is enduring to avoid that very suffering. If | tortuous descent. Quinnox in the lead, they you care for my mistress, sir, add no walked, crawled and ran down the narrow weight to the burden she already carries. path, bruised, scratched and aching by the fears by telling him of the conditions im- Remain here, as she desires. You can be of time they reached the topmost of the sum-

American repeatedly had begged for infor- home. Lorry wavered, but his resolution as they neared the base, they were obliged mation about the fatal 20th, but on all would not weaken. He argued, first with to dodge behind houses, or to drop into the previous occasions his visitor doggedly Quinnox, then with himself, finally return- ditches by the roadside in order to avoid maintained a show of ignorance, vowing ing to the reckless determination to brave patroling police guards or Axphain sleuththat he knew nothing of the circumstances. all and save her from herself. The soldier hounds. Lorry marveled at the vigil the and determined to know the true state of him to reconsider, at last turning in anger surprised to learn from the young captain affairs, soundly upbraided him and sent upon the stubborn American with a torrent that prevailing opinion located him in or word to the princess that if she did not ac- of maledictions. Lorry heard him through near the city. For this reason, while other quaint him with the inside facts he would and quietly, unswervingly announced that men were scouring Vienna, Parls and even leave the monastery and find them out for he was ready to leave the monastery at London, hordes of vengeful men searched himself. This authoritative message any time his guide cared to depart. Quin- day and night for a clew in the city of brought Quinnox back two nights later nox gave up in despair at this, gazing hope- Edelweiss. with the full story of the exciting confer- lessly at the man he had sworn to protect, The fugitive began to realize how deter-

murmured dejectedly: "What will she say to me-what will she

"I shall exonerate you, captain. She can have no fault to find with your action after I have told her how loyal you are am," said Lorry, kindly.

"You may never live to tell her this, sir. look her in the face again. I could only

"Don't be so faint-hearted, Quinnox!" cried Lorry, stimulated by the desire to be with her, recognizing no obstacle that might thwart him in the effort. "We'll get through, safe and sound, and we'll untangle a few complications before we reach the end of the book. Brace up, for God's sake, for mine, for hers, for your own. I must get to her before everything is lost. My God, the fear that she may marry Gabriel will drive me mad if I am left here another night. Come! Let us prepare to start. We must notify the abbot that I am to go. I can be ready in five minutes. Ye Gods, think of what she may be sacrificing

the nervous preparations for departure, as if it had already come upon him. Lorry soon was attired in the guard's uniform he had worn from the Tower a month before. His pistol was in his pocket, and the bunch of violets she had sent to him that very night was pinned defiantly above his heart. of sentiment, and grimly informed him in Dangloss's disciplinary rules. Officers on | nox." duty were not to wear nosegays.

"Dangless will not see my violets. By the way, the moon shines brightly, doesn't

"It is almost as light as day. Our trip is made extremely hazardous for that reason. I am sorely afraid, rash sir, that we cannot reach the castle unseen."

"We must go about it boldly, that's all." "Has it occurred to you, sir, that you are placing me in a terrible position? What excuse can I have, a captain of the guard, way can be found for his return to his native for slinking about at night with a man or. I cannot deny the charge without exposing her Majesty."

Lorry turned cold. He had not thought of this alarming possibility. But his ready wit came again to his relief, and with bright, confident eyes he swept away the obstacle. "If discovered, you are at once to proclaim me a prisoner, take the credit for having caught me, and claim the reward." "In that case, you will not go to the cas-

tle, but to the Tower." "Not if you obey orders. The offer of reward says that I must be delivered to the undersigned. You will take me to her and not to the Tower."

Quinnox smiled and threw up his hands as if unable to combat the quick logic of breast. He writhed beneath the knowledge his companion. Together they made their way to the prior's cell, afterward to the vances, his protestations of love, his presabbot's apartment. It was barely 11 o'clock and he had not retired. He questioned Quinnox closely, bade Lorry farewell and blessed him, sent his benediction to the princess and ordered them conducted to the fast rules can be adopted in this work.

> Ten minutes later they stood outside the wall, the great gates having been closed sharply behind them. Above them hung the silvery moon, full and bright, throwing its refulgent splendor over the mountain top with all the brilliancy of day. Never had Lorry seen the moon so accursedly bright. "'Gad, it is like day," he exclaimed.

"As I told you, sir," agreed the other, reproof in his voice. "We must wait until the moon goes down. It won't do to risk it now. Can we not go somewhere to keep warm for an

"There is a cave further down the moun-

"By all means. I can't endure the cold after being cooped up for so long."

They followed the winding road for some distance down the mountain, coming at last to a point where a small path branched off. It was the path leading down the side of the steep overlooking the city, and upon that side no wagon-road could be built. Seven thousand feet below stretched the sleeping, moon-lit city. Standing out on the brow of the mountain they seemed to be the only living objects in the world. There was no sign of life above, below or beside for the property affected so much as for

"How long should we be in making the descent?" asked Lorry, a sort of terror possessing him as he looked from the dizzy | wisely provided in Section 7 that "in the height into the ghost-like dimness below.

"Three hours, if you are strong." "And how are we to get into the castle? I

hadn't thought of that.' "There is a secret entrance," said Quinnox, maliciously enjoying the insistent one's acknowledgment of weakness. "If ground to the old dungeons beneath the castle. It may be some time before you can passage is guarded jealously. There are ments. That would be nearer right than but five people who know of its existence." "Great confidence is placed in you, I see, and worthily, I am sure. How is it that you

are trusted so implicitly?" "I inherit the confidence. The captain of the guard is born to his position. My ancestors held the place before me, and not one betrayed the trust. The first-born in tain of the guard in the royal palace, possessing all its secrets. I shall be the first to betray the trust-and for a man who is

"I suppose you consider me selfish and vile for placing you in this position," said Lorry, somewhat contritely. "No: I have begun the task and I will

complete it, come what may," answered the captain, firmly. "You are the only bemy honor voluntarily-save one." "I have wondered why you were never

tempted to turn traitor to the princess and claim the fortune that is represented in the reward." "Not for five million gavvos, sir!" "By George, you are a faithful lot! Dan-

gloss, Allode and Ogbot and yourself, four honest men to whom she trusts her life, her honor. You belong to a rare species, and I am proud to know you." The stealthy couple found the cave and

spent an hour or more within its walls, sallying forth after the tardy darkness into the peaceful valley. Then began the After this walking was easier, but stealthi-

lion's jaw. He sat down at the window and how small the chance of acquittal if he Kentucky upon Governor Baker, of Inwere taken. To his fevered imagination the enmity of the whole world was shaping itself against him. The air was charged with hatred, the ground with vengeance, the trees and rocks with denouncing shadows, while from the darkness behind merci- | gang of Kentucky thugs, with fiendish glee, and how-how-well, how unreasonable I less hands seemed to be stretching forth to clutch him. One simple, loyal love stood alone antagonistic to the universal desire | whose name shall not defile this paper, and Then what is to become of me? I could not to crush and kill. A fragile woman was whose county repudiated his action, they shielding him sturdily, unwaveringly against all these mighty forces. His heart | drag him and his heart-broken wife back thrilled with devotion; his arm tingled with the joy of clasping her once more to his breast; his wistful eyes hung upon the flickering light far off in the west. Quinnox had pointed it out to him, saying that it burned in the bedchamber of the Princess Yetive. Since the memorable night that | boarded the train at Noblesville, took their took him to the cell in St. Valentine's, this light had burned from dusk to daylight. Lovingly, faithfully it had shone for him through all those dreary nights, a lonely signal from one heart to another.

At last, stiff and sore, they stole into the narrow streets of Edelweiss. Lorry glanced back and shivered, although the air was warm and balmy. He had truly been out of The distracted captain gloomily watched | the world. Not until this instant did he fully appreciate the dread that possesses seeing his own disgrace ahead as plainly a man who is being hunted down by tireless foes; never did man's heart go out in gratitude and trustfulness as did his toward the strong defender whose sinewy arm he clasped as if in terror.

"You understand what this means to me," said Quinnox gravely, as they paused | pat.' Quinnox smiled when he observed this bit to rest. "She will call me your murderer and curse me for my miserable treason. I that he was committing an act prohibited | am the first to dishonor the name of Quin-

> [To be Continued Next Saturday.] STREET IMPROVEMENT LAWS.

The "Specific Benefits" Act Commended as the Best Yet Adopted.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: At this time there probably is no question of a municipal character attracting more attention in Indiana than the new law concerning the improvement of streets. Boards of public works and city street commistion in the assessment of benefits to property affected by such improvements. But in beginning their work under this new law it is important that they start right and follow the intent and purpose of the lawmakers by establishing a fair and just basis of assessing benefits.

It seems to me that there are three obstacles in the way of properly applying this new law by boards of public works and street commissioners. In the first place they seem to want to cling too much to the old Barrett law of front-foot assessment. This is so much the easier way to get rid of the work. These officials forget that the Barrett law is a thing of the past-that it became so odious and notorious on account of the unfair and inequitable front-foot provision for the assessment of property that its repeal was demanded by outraged property owners. In the second place I believe the theory of establishing an arbitrary plan of assessment as is proposed by the Board of Public Works at Indianapolis, as applied to corner lots, is an obstacle in the way of getting started right in the work. No hard nor Different properties in different localities are affected differently. The law contemplates that each piece of property must be considered separately and assessments made according to "specific benefits." The law is clear on this point. Section 8 provides that "the word benefits," as used in this act, means special benefits peculiar to the property assessed, as distinguished from general benefits to the city at large, This, it seems to me, does not mean that an arbitrary plan of, say 75 per cent. of the cost of construction, can be applied in all cases, but it means that the assessment shall be equal to the cash value in dollars and cents that is added to the property by reason of the improvement. Here is where the Barrett law failed to do justice. It is well known that under that oppressive law many assessments amounted to more than the property itself was worth. Under that law much property was confiscated, contain. Shall we take the chance of reaching | trary to the federal and state constitutions, and contrary to reason and common sense. To do away with this unjust fea-

ture of the Barrett law the new law was passed. The third obstacle in properly applying this new law is the fear of boards of public works and city commissioners to assess cities their just portion of the expense for such improvements. In the past property owners paid too much and cities too little for street improvements. Take all the street improvements in Indiana during the last ten years, and I venture the assertion that not 50 per cent. of the cost of such improvements could be realized on the sale of the property. Why? Because the property is not benefited to the amount of the assessments. The improvements are not the public use. It is the public and not the property owners that use the streets, and the public should pay its just share of the cost. This being the case, the Legislature event the assessments of benefits, as hereinbefore provided, shall not be sufficient to pay the contract price for the improvement, then and in that event the difference shall be paid by the city in cash out of its general fund." This section is the best part of the law. It fixes the cost where it belongs-upon the public, that uses the streets. It is also wise as a matter of public policy, for if city councils find that the city is to pay its just share of the expense it will act as a check upon extravagant and unnecessary street improvements Some people advocate the theory that cities should pay all the cost of street improvethe front-foot rule of the Barrett law. However, the new law is a good one if the intent and purposes of its provisions are carried out by those having such duties to perform. The provisions of the law are plain and clear. To do right is but to follow the law. It says that property shall be assessed only the amount of "specific benefits," and then let the public, through the city, pay the balance.

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BECKHAM VS. DURBIN.

Hamilton County Man Recalls a Case in the Time of Governor Baker.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: Although not a "constitutional lawyer," I offer a word of testimony in support of the patriotic action of Indiana's Governor in refusing to turn over to a mob of Kentucky Democrats with blood in their eyes and on their hands a victim for their sacrifice in the person of ex-Governor Taylor. Let me cite a precedent that occurs to my mind. Soon after the war of the rebellion. while the writer was sheriff of this county (Hamilton) an incident occurred that shows what Governor Baker thought of a Governor's prerogative when called to act upon a requisition. It was in 1869 or 1870. During ing, it is the spirit of the "knocker," rather the war of the rebellion, as is well known, which has to be confronted. Such a spirit the people of Kentucky were evenly divided as to their allegiances to the causes represented by Lincoln and Jeff Davis. Neighborhoods were divided, families were divided. Each side organized for offensive and defensive purposes. Frequent conflicts occurred, which often resulted in the death of members of one or both sides.

There was one man-Mose Ray, a noted Unionist-who was at the head of an organization of patriots. He was a man of considerable means, consisting of mills and other property. The Confederates burned him out of house and home, and in | productive industries. It would be pleasant some of their combats he had caused some to be without smoke, yet as a concrete, Confederate guerrillas to bite the dust. After the close of the war, when civil law | more of it and to have it more widely diswas restored in Kentucky, the humiliated tributed. The road to a smokeless city rebels sought to "even up" the score and, is a long one, and we are far from its end. if possible, get ahead by indicting Mose Nearly all of our productive mechanical Ray and his followers for murder, and plants in this city have outgrown their for other offenses, taking no account, how-Finally Lorry, completely out of patience begged him to listen to reason, implored soldiers were keeping, and was somewhat red and dripping with loyal blood. In Ken- ways will be. Where a boller plant is tucky a Democratic court is a law unto operated beyond its nominal capacity, when itself. Ray had fled, as has Governor Tay- it is overworked, the consumption of smoke lor, not from justice, but from a frenzied is an impossibility. Automatic stokers, mob of humiliated, defeated traitors to which convey more coal into a boiler furtheir country. He had taken up his resi- nace than it will normally consume, will dence in an obscure corner of Tipton coun- develop abnormal smoke. We have only ty, ruined in property and purse by his to look around in order to see them. The devotion to the cause of the Union. His re- same is true of the various smoke-consumtreat was discovered. Having been indicted ing devices. Where a plant is being overby a rebel Democratic jury by the instruc- worked smoke will exist. A little knowl-

diana, for his surrender, the paper being presented in person by an emissary of the Kentucky court. Governor Baker without "going behind the returns" and inquiring into the foundation of the indictment, and taking it for granted that everything was regular, honored the requisition, and a repaired to Tipton county, after having procured the assistance (probably for a consideration) of a degenerated sheriff, surrounded Ray's house in the night time, compelled him to surrender and started to to "the dark and bloody ground" for a sample of Kentucky justice. The loyal people of Tipton sent me a telegram, stating that "a party of Kentucky rebels were aboard the train (then due) with a Union man under arrest, charged with murder during the war." With the help of some good fellows, who had the pluck, we prisoner from them, giving them in exchange some broken heads, took him to a blacksmith shop and cut his hand-cuffs off and set him at liberty. When we were informed that they were acting under the forms of law, and had requisition papers, regular in form, properly honored, I supposed that I would be ruined by damage suits. Not so, however, as Governor Baker promptly revoked his order authorizing the arrest of Ray, and the Kentucky gang were glad to get out of the state with their ewn spinal columns intact, not even waitng for a train, so great was their hurry. Governor Beckham refers to an alleged ante-election agreement with Governor Taylor. One only needs a little sense-a very little-to know this charge is not true, but I am not in favor of humoring him and his gang by entering a denial, but would come back at him in Democratic style and say, What are you going to do about it?" Gov. Durbin holds a good hand; let him "stand pat." THOMAS J. LINDLEY. Noblesville, Ind., Nov. 19.

Refusing to Honor Requisitions.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: Governor Durbin is not the first Indiana Governor to refuse to honor a requisition from a Kentucky Governor. About the first of April, 1861, Governor Morton received a requisition from the Governor of Kentucky to deliver up "a fugitive from justice," who had been indicted in that State under a law of the State for aiding in the escape of slaves. On investigation it developed that the "fugitive" was a well-to-do farmer in Gibson county, who had never been in Kentucky, but who, at his home, gave aid and comfort to fugitives whenever they called. Governor Morton refused to grant sioners are confronted by a serious proposi- the requisition, whereupon the Kentucky Governor and the Indianapolis Sentinel went into a great rage and threatened to know why a requisition from the Governor of a sovereign State was not honored Whereunto this break of the Constitution might have led but for the firing upon Fort Sumter, a week or so later, no one can ever know. That event, involving precisely the same issue, so absorbed public attention that the Gibson county farmer's case was lost sight of, being merged with simiar cases then at issue. What official records were made of the affair, if any, do not know. My impression is that a fil of the Journal of that time will contain a Mortonian answer to his honor, the Governor of Kentucky, not greatly different from Governor Durbin's to Governor Beckham, and the files of the Sentinel will abound with denunciations of "the accidental Governor," as it called Governor Morton, who had been elected only Lieutenant Governor, not greatly differing from the late criticism upon Governor Durbin, bringing Governor Durbin into very good political society. After all, the war, which was a big thing in its day, did not quite U. L. SEE. settle everything. Indianapolis, Nov. 20.

THE INDIANAPOLIS SOUTHERN.

Would Benefit by Its Construction.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: The editorial on the Indianapolis Southern Railway in Monday's edition was sound and to the point. The advice was timely and good. Along the same line, let us say that our people would much prefer to deal with Indianapolis merchants. We want to sell our raw material and manufactured products there and buy our stocks of merchandise and machinery there; but with present railroad facilities that is almost impossible. Indianapolis is handicapped in the matter of trade in this section of Indiana. Shippers at both ends of the deal understand that Indianapolis is discriminated against. That is a patent fact to any man from this section who has a carload of stock or produce to sell. For instance: The freight charge on a carload of cattle from Paoli to Indianapolis is \$35; the same car will be pulled a like distance to Cincinnati for \$27, or a hundred miles farther to Chicago for \$25. It takes no great persuasion to get the shipment to the Cincinnati or Chicago market. A large shipper from one of our manufacturing plants said to me to-day that they could put their product city; in fact, could put cars through Indianapolis to Muncle, Ind., or Dayton, O., at less than the regular Indianapolis rate. | cago, has 219 saloons, one for every 173 These are facts which your famous Commercial Club might well 'look into, and conditions which the proposed railroad would speedily change. The capital city might have a trade of untold millions in merchandise, coal, timber and stock from this section of Indiana if the "powers that be" so will, and do not build an insurmountable wall by shutting out the Indianapolis Southern Rallway. Paoli, Ind., Nov. 19.

Railways and Smoke.

19th in regard to the incoming of the In- crease of 184 in three years. dianapolis Southern road. I have heard the opinion expressed that the principles contained in that editorial should be reiterated again and again. Such a spirit makes a trine of the "knocker." It is so easy to be destructive. Throwing a chunk in the wheel is such an easy operation. There are those who kick in their sleep. I can recall the spirit which had to do with the building of the Vandalia and Vincennes roads. As I remember it, this work was the result of a great municipal effort. What does it count if these roads are a part of the same combination? The spirit of combination has been present in the railroad world from the time when there were two roads on the earth. Yet, from decade to decade, from first to last, hauling charges have been on the decline. It has cost less to get a barrel of flour from Minneapolis to Liverpool during the last decade than ever before. It costs less to deliver a car of coal from the mine to the mill than it did thirty years ago. This is largely the result of increased capital. increased consolidation and, of course, the ower rate of interest. One affects the other, and all for public good. The natural result of intelligent consolidation is to reduce prices. The Standard Oil Company which is composed of some of the most intelligent capitalists in this country, has made its money by selling cheaply, and not by selling high. Yet, notwithstandthan that of the more reasonable man, will oppose any measure leading to the betterment of the condition of his neighthe spirit of intelligence.

bors, and has to be considered rather than The principles of your editorial certainly apply with equal force to the encouragement of the incoming interurban roads. Every possible advantage consistent with public welfare should be offered them. They should be encouraged in every pos-

sible way. The smoke ordinance might readily be made a means of persecution to our great productive fact I would be glad to see steaming capacity. Many of them have alence. She implored him to remain where he who insisted on placing his head in the mired was the effort to capture him and requisition was made by the Governor of With ample capacity in the boiler plant

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> very simple devices will serve every purpose. A rigid enforcement of the smoke ordinance at this time would amount to the persecution and partial destruction of LOUIS H. GIBSON. Indianapolis, Nov. 20.

> > SALOONS IN INDIANA.

Lake County in the Lead When Population Is Considered. State Statistician Johnson has prepared

a table showing the number of saloons in the counties of the State, the larger cities and incorporated towns. He prepared the table from statistics secured from county auditors. On Dec. 31, last, there were 4,392 salon licenses in vogue in Indiana, one for every 573 people. Brown and Steuben counties are the only ones that have no saloons. Hendricks county now has four. Marion county leads with 558, one for every 353 people, and Vanderburg comes second into Chicago at a lower rate than into your | with 294, one for each 244 people. Lake county, in which are located Hammond, South Chicago and other suburbs of Chi-

Fifty-nine of eighty cities in the State that have reported to the statistician have 2.643 saloons against 2,188 in 1897, an increase of 455 in three years. The licenses amounted to sixty-three cents for each person. In 1897 there were forty-five saoons in Muncie, while at the close of last year there were eighty-nine. New Albany shows an increase in the same period from seventy-two to ninety-six. Fort Wayne showed a decrease from 205 to 175. Reports from 204 incorporated towns give 596 saloons, one for every 296 people. The receipts for licenses amounted to \$72,-213.50, or forty cents for each person. The I am sure that a very large number of records of Indianapolis show there were good citizens applaud your editorial of the 360 saloons in 1897 and 544 in 1900, an in-

When Jesse Lee Enlisted.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: Reading an editorial in the Journal of recent date regarding the promotion of Jesse M. Lee to the colonelcy of the Thirtieth regulars recalled to my mind an incident relating to his enlisters of the Journal. On April 14, 1861, in company with a neighbor boy and companion, and while exercising our horses on the road leading out east of Greencastle, Ind., we met Jesse Lee. Young Lee, who was then about twenty years of age, was without coat or vest, and his trousers were tucked in his boots. In answer to our inquiry as to where he was going he stated that he was on his way to enlist, adding that, as the President had called for volunteers, he believed it was the duty of every able-bodied young man in the country to respond to the call. As Lee's home was about twelve miles from Greencastle, we proposed that he mount on behind one of us and ride the rest of the way, but he assured us that he did not mind the walk, and laughingly added that if one expected to become a soldier he ought not to be frightened by a little jaunt of twelve miles. After bidding him good-bye my young friend remarked that he believed Jesse would make a good soldier and those who have watched his career since his enlistment as a private soldier in 1861 will verify the truthfulness of the prediction. Indianapolis, Nov. 19.

The Bedouin Love Song.

From the desert I come to thee On a stallion shod with fire: And the winds are left behind In the speed of my desire. Under thy window I stand, And the midnight hears my cry I love thee, I love but thee, With a love that shall not die Till the sun grows cold, And the stars are And the leaves of the Judgment Book

Look from thy window and see My passion and my pain; lie on the sands below. And I faint in thy disdain. Let the night winds touch thy brow With the heat of my burning sigh, And melt thee to hear the vow Of a love that shall not die Till the sun grows cold And the stars are old, And the leaves of the Judgment Book

By the fever in my breast, To hear from thy lattice breathed The word that shall give me rest. open the door of thy heart. And open thy chamber door. And my kisses shall teach thy lips The love that shall fade no more Till the sun grows cold

My steps are nightly driven

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